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TO : Chief, WE
VIA []
FROM : Chief of Base []

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Attn: Chief, Italian Branch

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SUBJECT: GENERAL— Operational

SPECIFIC— Approach by Israeli IS to [] Informant

Reference : [] 313 5 April 1956

1. For some time Rawalt has been suggesting to [] and his assistant that his interest in the Near East might be served by urging the [] informant "FIMO" toward that target. FIMO is of Levantine origin and has connections among Arab and Near Eastern businessmen, seamen, smugglers, etc. After [] had cited this interest in the Near East to FIMO, the latter on his own initiative wrote a letter offering his services to a person he identified as EDMUND, an instructor in the Israeli scientific police and a high official of the Israeli CS service. FIMO said that he had known this EDMUND in the past.

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SUBJ
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2. On 30 March FIMO received the visit at his home of a person who said he was an Israeli emissary. FIMO reported to [] that this man used the name "ARTHUR" and was a major in the Israeli army presently stationed at the Israeli Embassy in Paris under cover as an interpreter. ARTHUR was supposedly traveling from Paris to Rome to confer with chiefs of the Israeli IS there. He proposed that FIMO should work for the service for a regular monthly salary. The principal targets for the Israeli seemed to be the identification of arms smugglers acting for the Arab nations.

ANNAPLES, ITALY
SUBJ IS A JEW
OF INTEREST TO
ISRAELI IS

3. Among persons of interest, ARTHUR indicated a certain MASTAF whom he said was chief of the Egyptian IS in Italy, who worked out of the Egyptian Embassy in Rome and who drove a black Mercedes. Another element was a certain Baruh SCHULAN, a Jew living in Naples and working for the Arabs. This person came every to often to Genoa and stayed at the Albergo Londra. [] checked this fact out and found that it was true.

WORKS FOR THE ARAB
SUBJ RESPECTIVELY

4. ARTHUR suggested that FIMO procure himself a Panamanian passport. He left for Rome the same evening, telling FIMO that he would wire him to come to Rome within the next few days for meetings and discussions with an official of the Israeli IS. The wire arrived in Genoa on 4

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April, telling PINO that he would be met in Rome's Stazione Termini between 0830 - 0900 hours on 6 April.

5. [] asked [] for his comments and advice, and [] said that he thought PINO should at least keep this first meeting in Rome. He pointed out to [] however, that PINO's reputation for accurate reporting leaves much to be desired and that he would be dubious about the value of the operation until he was proved wrong.

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